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1. BEGIN SUMMARY: PRESS SPACE STILL EXTENSIVE, INDIGNANT TONE
CONTINUES ALL YUGOSLAV MEDIA JULY 18. EDITORIAL FOCUS ON
"RESPONSIBILITY OF WORLD COMMUNITY," WITH DIRECT CRITICISM NATO,
UN AND US; ON CONDEMNATION OF "FOREIGN INTERVENTION" BY OTHER NATIONS
AND; LESS SO, ON US REACTION CRITICAL OF US POSITION. END SUMMARY.

2. POLITIKA'S NY CORR GUSTINCIC UNDER HEAD "PEACE MACHINE
STOPPED" CALLS UNSC SESSION "STERILE." IN PAGE TWO
BOLDFACE EDIT POLITIKA'S ZORAN ZUJOVIC COMMENTS: "THE BYPRUS
TRAGEDY GOES ON AND NOTHING EFFICIENT HAS BEEN DONE TO END IT.
THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING...DID NOT PRODUCE DECISIONS
ABOUT MEASURES- TO BE TAKEN IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE ENDANGERING
OF THE INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY OF THE REPUBLIC OF GYPRUS
AND STOP THE BLOODSHED PROVOKED THROUGH THE APPARNET FOREIGN
INTERVENTION INT THE COUNTRY, THE MILITARY OPERATIONS COMMANDED
BY MILITARY OFFICERS OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY THAT IS A MEMBER OF ONE
OF THE BIG MILITARY-POLITICAL BLOCS -- THE ATLANTIC PACT -- WHICH
IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE, FOR A GOOD DEAL, FOR WHAT IS HAPPENING. IF
ANYBODY NEEDED EVIDENCE OF THE DANGER TO WHICH THE WORLD IS EX-
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POSED BECAUSE OF THE EXISTENCE OF BLOCS, THE GYPRUS CASE IS ONE

MORE AND A VERY PERSUASIVE ONE. IN THE SAME TIME, WHEN SPEAKING ABOUT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF NATO FOR THE NEW ENDANGERMENT OF PEACE, THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THIS ORGANIZATION WAS ABLE -- THIS REFERS PRIMARILY TO THE US -- TO PREVENT A NEW INTENSIFICATION IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN. IS THIS NOT THE LOGIC OF MILITARY BLOCs: THAT THEIR LEADING FORCES, NEVERTHELESS, HAVE SUFFICIENTLY PERSUASIVE ARGUMENTS TO BRING THE MEMBERS TO OBEDIENCE, AT LEAST WHEN PASSING FUNDAMENTAL DECISIONS?"

3. BORBA EDIT STRONGLY CONDEMS COUP AND VIOLENCE BUT LACKS US ANGLE. PAPER PICKS UP TASS PIECE SAYING THERE ARE "REASONS TO BELIEVE COUP PLANNED BY SOME CIRCLES OF NATO," BUT ALSO USES UPI DISPATCH ON AMB TASCA STATEMENT TO GREEK FORMIN, ONLY LOCALLY USED STORY TODAY CONTAINING POSITIVE ELEMENTS OFFICIAL US POSITION. PAGE ONE CARTOON BY DRAGAN SAVIC DEPICTS UNIDENTIFIED PAIR OF HANDS IN SKY MANIPULATING GREEK OFFICERS ALONGSIDE PARTHENON IN CLOUDS WHO IN TURN MANIPULATING AGGRESSIVE-LOOKING ARMED INDIVIDUAL HOVERING OVER CHAIR MARKED "EOKA PRESIDENT." TITLE: "GRAND PUPPETRY."

4. BOTH PAPERS SELECT NUMEROUS WIRE SERVICE STORIES OF ANTI-COUP REACTIONS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES BUT FAIL TO PICKUP TANJUG NEWS SERVICE DISPATCH FROM NY SUGGESTING "SOME (US OBSERVERS) ARE INCLINED TO BELIEVE THE COOL REACTION OF THE US STATE DEPARTMENT PROMPTS THE CONCLUSION WASHINGTON IS NOT GREATLY SURPRISED BY LATEST DEVELOPMENT OF EVENTS. FOREIGN OBSERVERS IN NY NOTE SOME CHARACTERISTIC FEATURES IN US BEHAVIOR. FIRST, THERE HAS BEEN NO CONCERN WHATSOEVER AT OBVIOUS FOREIGN INTERVENTION ON CYPRUS, AND SECOND, US COMPETENT CIRCLES ARE CIRCULATING THEORY THAT WHAT IS INVOLVED ARE 'FRICTIONS WITHIN THE GREEK COMMUNITY ON CYPRUS' AND THAT 'THERE IS NO CALL FOR FOREIGN INTERFERENCE' NOR FOR UN ACTION." TOON

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